

FORM B1 United States Bankruptcy Court Northern District of Illinois		Voluntary Petition
Name of Debtor (if individual, enter Last, First, Middle): Griffith, Patricia E.		Name of Joint Debtor (Spouse) (Last, First, Middle):
All Other Names used by the Debtor in the last 6 years (include married, maiden, and trade names):		All Other Names used by the Joint Debtor in the last 6 years (include married, maiden, and trade names):
Last four digits of Soc. Sec. No. / Complete EIN or other Tax I.D. No. (if more than one, state all): xxx-xx-9919		Last four digits of Soc. Sec. No. / Complete EIN or other Tax I.D. No. (if more than one, state all):
Street Address of Debtor (No. & Street, City, State & Zip Code): 1430 N. Dearborn, #514 Chicago, IL 60610		Street Address of Joint Debtor (No. & Street, City, State & Zip Code):
County of Residence or of the Principal Place of Business: Cook		County of Residence or of the Principal Place of Business:
Mailing Address of Debtor (if different from street address):		Mailing Address of Joint Debtor (if different from street address):
Location of Principal Assets of Business Debtor (if different from street address above):		
Information Regarding the Debtor (Check the Applicable Boxes)		
Venue (Check any applicable box) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Debtor has been domiciled or has had a residence, principal place of business, or principal assets in this District for 180 days immediately preceding the date of this petition or for a longer part of such 180 days than in any other District. <input type="checkbox"/> There is a bankruptcy case concerning debtor's affiliate, general partner, or partnership pending in this District.		
Type of Debtor (Check all boxes that apply) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Individual(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Railroad <input type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Stockbroker <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Commodity Broker <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Clearing Bank		Chapter or Section of Bankruptcy Code Under Which the Petition is Filed (Check one box) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chapter 7 <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 11 <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 13 <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 9 <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 12 <input type="checkbox"/> Sec. 304 - Case ancillary to foreign proceeding
Nature of Debts (Check one box) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consumer/Non-Business <input type="checkbox"/> Business		Filing Fee (Check one box) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Full Filing Fee attached <input type="checkbox"/> Filing Fee to be paid in installments (Applicable to individuals only.) Must attach signed application for the court's consideration certifying that the debtor is unable to pay fee except in installments. Rule 1006(b). See Official Form No. 3.
Chapter 11 Small Business (Check all boxes that apply) <input type="checkbox"/> Debtor is a small business as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101 <input type="checkbox"/> Debtor is and elects to be considered a small business under 11 U.S.C. § 1121(c) (Optional)		*** Melvin J. Kaplan 1399446 ***
Statistical/Administrative Information (Estimates only) <input type="checkbox"/> Debtor estimates that funds will be available for distribution to unsecured creditors. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Debtor estimates that, after any exempt property is excluded and administrative expenses paid, there will be no funds available for distribution to unsecured creditors.		THIS SPACE IS FOR COURT USE ONLY
Estimated Number of Creditors 1-15 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 16-49 <input type="checkbox"/> 50-99 <input type="checkbox"/> 100-199 <input type="checkbox"/> 200-999 <input type="checkbox"/> 1000-over <input type="checkbox"/>		
Estimated Assets \$0 to \$50,000 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$50,001 to \$100,000 <input type="checkbox"/> \$100,001 to \$500,000 <input type="checkbox"/> \$500,001 to \$1 million <input type="checkbox"/> \$1,000,001 to \$10 million <input type="checkbox"/> \$10,000,001 to \$50 million <input type="checkbox"/> \$50,000,001 to \$100 million <input type="checkbox"/> More than \$100 million <input type="checkbox"/>		
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Voluntary Petition <i>(This page must be completed and filed in every case)</i>		Document Page 2 of 4 Name of Debtor(s): Griffith, Patricia E.	
Prior Bankruptcy Case Filed Within Last 6 Years (If more than one, attach additional sheet)			
Location Where Filed: - None -		Case Number: _____ Date Filed: _____	
Pending Bankruptcy Case Filed by any Spouse, Partner, or Affiliate of this Debtor (If more than one, attach additional sheet)			
Name of Debtor: - None -		Case Number: _____ Date Filed: _____	
District: _____		Relationship: _____ Judge: _____	
Signatures			
Signature(s) of Debtor(s) (Individual/Joint) I declare under penalty of perjury that the information provided in this petition is true and correct. [If petitioner is an individual whose debts are primarily consumer debts and has chosen to file under chapter 7] I am aware that I may proceed under chapter 7, 11, 12, or 13 of title 11, United States Code, understand the relief available under each such chapter, and choose to proceed under chapter 7. I request relief in accordance with the chapter of title 11, United States Code, specified in this petition.		Exhibit A (To be completed if debtor is required to file periodic reports (e.g., forms 10K and 10Q) with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and is requesting relief under chapter 11) <input type="checkbox"/> Exhibit A is attached and made a part of this petition.	
X <u><i>Patricia E. Griffith</i></u> Signature of Debtor Patricia E. Griffith X _____ Signature of Joint Debtor (312) 649-0947 Telephone Number XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX <u>9-27-05</u> Date		Exhibit B (To be completed if debtor is an individual whose debts are primarily consumer debts) I, the attorney for the petitioner named in the foregoing petition, declare that I have informed the petitioner that [he or she] may proceed under chapter 7, 11, 12, or 13 of title 11, United States Code, and have explained the relief available under each such chapter. X _____ Signature of Attorney for Debtor(s) Date Melvin J. Kaplan 1399446	
X <u><i>Melvin J. Kaplan</i></u> Signature of Attorney for Debtor(s) Melvin J. Kaplan 1399446 Printed Name of Attorney for Debtor(s) Melvin J. Kaplan & Associates P.C. Firm Name 14 E. Jackson Blvd. Suite 1200 Chicago, IL 60604 Address Email: www.financialrelief.com (312)294-8989 Fax: (312)294-8995 Telephone Number Date		Exhibit C Does the debtor own or have possession of any property that poses a threat of imminent and identifiable harm to public health or safety? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, and Exhibit C is attached and made a part of this petition. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
Signature of Debtor (Corporation/Partnership) I declare under penalty of perjury that the information provided in this petition is true and correct, and that I have been authorized to file this petition on behalf of the debtor. The debtor requests relief in accordance with the chapter of title 11, United States Code, specified in this petition.		Signature of Non-Attorney Petition Preparer I certify that I am a bankruptcy petition preparer as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 110, that I prepared this document for compensation, and that I have provided the debtor with a copy of this document.	
X _____ Signature of Authorized Individual _____ Printed Name of Authorized Individual _____ Title of Authorized Individual _____ Date		_____ Printed Name of Bankruptcy Petition Preparer _____ Social Security Number (Required by 11 U.S.C. § 110(c).) _____ Address Names and Social Security numbers of all other individuals who prepared or assisted in preparing this document: If more than one person prepared this document, attach additional sheets conforming to the appropriate official form for each person. X _____ Signature of Bankruptcy Petition Preparer _____ Date A bankruptcy petition preparer's failure to comply with the provisions of title 11 and the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure may result in fines or imprisonment or both. 11 U.S.C. § 110; 18 U.S.C. § 156.	

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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
NOTICE TO INDIVIDUAL CONSUMER DEBTOR

The purpose of this notice is to acquaint you with the four chapters of the federal Bankruptcy Code under which you may file a bankruptcy petition. The bankruptcy law is complicated and not easily described. Therefore, you should seek the advice of an attorney to learn of your rights and responsibilities under the law should you decide to file a petition with the court. Court employees are prohibited from giving you legal advice.

Chapter 7: Liquidation (\$155 filing fee plus \$39 administrative fee plus \$15 trustee surcharge)

Chapter 7 is designed for debtors in financial difficulty who do not have the ability to pay their existing debts. Under chapter 7 a trustee takes possession of all your property. You may claim certain of your property as exempt under governing law. The trustee then liquidates the property and uses the proceeds to pay your creditors according to priorities of the Bankruptcy Code.

The purpose of filing a Chapter 7 case is to obtain a discharge of your existing debts. If, however, you are found to have committed certain kinds of improper conduct described in the Bankruptcy Code, your discharge may be denied by the court, and the purpose for which you filed the bankruptcy petition will be defeated.

Even if you receive a discharge, there are some debts that are not discharged under the law. Therefore, you may still be responsible for such debts as certain taxes and student loans, alimony and support payments, criminal restitution, and debts for death or personal injury caused by driving while intoxicated from alcohol or drugs.

Under certain circumstances you may keep property that you have purchased subject to valid security interest. Your attorney can explain the options that are available to you.

Chapter 13: Repayment of All or Part of the Debts of an Individual with Regular Income (\$155 filing fee plus \$39 administrative fee)

Chapter 13 is designed for individuals with regular income who are temporarily unable to pay their debts but would like to pay them in installments over a period of time. You are eligible for Chapter 13 only if your debts do not exceed certain dollar amounts set forth in the Bankruptcy Code.

Under chapter 13 you must file a plan with the court to repay your creditors all or part of the money that you owe them, using your future earnings. Usually, the period allowed by the court to repay your debts is three years, but no more than five years. Your plan must be approved by the court before it can take effect.

Under chapter 13, unlike chapter 7, you may keep all your property, both exempt and non-exempt, as long as you continue to make payments under the plan.

After completion of payments under your plan, your debts are discharged except alimony and support payments, student loans, certain debts criminal fines and restitution and debts for death or personal injury caused by driving while intoxicated from alcohol or drugs, and long term secured obligations.

Chapter 11: Reorganization (\$800 filing fee plus \$30 administrative fee)

Chapter 11 is designed for the reorganization of a business but is also available to consumer debtors. Its provisions are quite complicated, and any decision by an individual to file a chapter 11 petition should also be reviewed with an attorney.

I, the debtor, affirm that I have read this notice.

9.27.05

Date

X Patricia E. Griffith

Signature of Debtor

Case No. (if known)

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